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1. REQUEST TEXT USDA'S PLANNED FRIDAY PRESS RELEASE PER
REFTEL ASAP TO COORDINATE LOCAL RELEASE.

2. FYI TEXTS PREPARED REMARKS FOR AMBASSADOR BYROADE, PRESS
RELEASE TO BE GIVEN GOP PRESS INFORMATION DEPARTMENT FOR LOCAL
DISTRIBUTION FOLLOW:

3. AMBASSADOR'S REMARKS: QUOTE MR. SECRETARY, AS WE WELL
KNOW, FOOD SUPPLIES NOW PLAY A MORE IMPORTANT PART IN INTER-
NATIONAL AFFAIRS THAN EVER BEFORE IN
THE HISTORY OF MANKIND. THE RECENT FOOD CONFERENCE IN ROME
ATTESTUYTO THAT.

4. QUOTE PAKISTAN'S LAST WHEAT CROP WAS SMALLER THAN HOPED FOR
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AND EXPECTATIONS FOR THE COMING CROP ARE NOT BRIGHT DUE TO THE

UNUSUALLY LONG DRY SPELL RESULTING IN LOW RIVER FLOW.
HOWEVER, THE LONGER RUN PROSPECTS FOR PAKISTAN'S AGRICULTURAL
PRODUCTION ARE, HAPPILY, EXCELLENT.

5. QUOTE FOOD MUST BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THOSE IN NEED. THE
UNITED STATES RECOGNIZES THIS AND IS PLEASED TO OFFER ASSISTANCE
DESPITE THE CONSTRAINTS ON OUR OWN GRAIN SUPPLIES. IT IS IN
THIS SPIRIT THAT WE HAVE TODAY SIGNED AN EIGHTEEN MILLION
DOLLAR AGREEMENT FOR PAKISTAN TO BE ABLE TO OBTAIN FROM THE
UNITED STATES APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND TONS OF
MUCH NEEDED WHEAT. END QUOTE.

6. PRESS RELEASE FOR THE SIGNING OF THE FY 1975 PL 480 TITLE
I AGREEMENT ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1974. ISLAMABAD,
NOVEMBER 23, 1974. QUOTE THE GOVERNMENTS OF PAKISTAN AND THE
UNITED STATES TODAY SIGNED AN EIGHTEEN MILLION DOLLAR WHEAT
PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

7. QUOTE THE LONG-TERM LOW INTEREST LOAN THROUGH THE PL 480
PROGRAM IS EXPECTED TO BUY APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED
THOUSAND TONS OF WHEAT AT CURRENT PRICES ON THE WORLD MARKET.

8. QUOTE IT IS INTENDED TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE SHORTFALL IN
PAKISTAN'S WHEAT AVAILABILITIES. PAKISTAN'S WHEAT CROP OF ABOUT
7.5 (SEVEN POINT FIVE) MILLION TONS EQUALLED THE PREVIOUS
RECORD BUT FELL SHORT OF THE 8.5 (EIGHT POINT FIVE) MILLION
TON TARGET.

9. QUOTE THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THE OFFER
SUBSEQUENT TO SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER'S
RECENT VISIT TO PAKISTAN. THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED TODAY BY
MR. AFTAB AHMED KHAN, SECRETARY, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION,
AND U.S. AMBASSADOR HENRY A. BYROADE.

10. QUOTE COMMENTING ON THE AGREEMENT, AMBASSADOR BYROADE
SAID: (PICK UP AMBASSADOR'S REMARKS, PARAGRAPHS 3, 4 AND 5
THIS MESSAGE). END QUOTE.
BYROADE

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